

**BISCAYNE GARDENS MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BGMAC)**  
**MINUTES**  
**May 12, 2005**

Present: Vernell Everett, Roger Gordon, Michelle McCook, Cheree Gulley

Meeting called to order by Vernell Everett. Next public hearing scheduled for 6/9/05 at the Biscayne Gardens Civic Association. The hearing will be published in the Miami Herald. No public notices will be mailed. The following Miami-Dade County department made follow up presentations.

Special Taxing District – Charles Small

There are seven street light districts within the boundaries of Biscayne Gardens. New municipality may annul special taxing district and assume delivery of street light functions. Every Miami-Dade County resident pays a flat fee for administrative cost for residential service in lieu of a tax. Administrative cost covers expense for staffing, billing and collection service. Major streets are maintained by Miami-Dade County and paid through county millage for arterial lights.

Office of Capital Improvement – Roslyn Alic-Batson

Quality Neighborhood Improvement Program (QNIP) is a special bond used to provide neighborhood improvements in unincorporated Miami-Dade County. Municipalities are not entitled to receive QNIP. The bond is divided by the thirteen districts in UMSA. Each commissioner decides what project needs to be done in each district. The office of Capital Improvement will provide list of projects being financed by QNIP in Biscayne Gardens.

Dept. of Parks and Recreation – Dr. Barbara Falsey

The new Biscayne Gardens Park is funded through QNIP and is budgeted for \$400,000.00 (in design phase). Oak Grove Park has four full time employees, six part time park service aides and provides after school, summer and weekend programs. Revenues generated from vending machines, summer school enrollments and after school programs. A roving park security for North end parks is also assigned. Expansion of the parking lot is in the design phase. Cost is estimated at \$92,000.00.

Meeting adjourned.